

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives take great pleasure in the attainments of Show-Me State school districts which have demonstrated an exceptional level of student achievement; and

Whereas, the Republic R-III School District in Greene County was chosen for well-deserved accolades for "Distinction in Performance" by the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education on December 1, 2003, when the state finalized its 100-point score; and

Whereas, one of one hundred seventy-six districts to earn the Distinction in Performance rating for the 2002-2003 school year, the Republic School District educates more than thirty-two hundred students through the efforts of two hundred thirty certificated staff divided between four elementary schools, one middle school, and one high school; and

Whereas, the Distinction in Performance Award recognizes school districts with high or improved performance based upon Annual Performance Report (APR) information; and

Whereas, criteria for this impressive Department of Elementary and Secondary Education recognition are for K-8 districts to meet five of six possible Performance Indicators, K-12 districts to meet eleven of twelve possible Performance Indicators, and all districts to meet each MAP Performance Standard; and

Whereas, the Republic School District has risen to exceptional levels among Missouri school districts for the third time in three years because of the leadership of its administration, the concern and involvement of its teachers, an emphasis on professional development, and the heartfelt commitment and diligence of its students:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the effective programming and stellar goals illustrated by the educational labors of the Republic School District and to convey this legislative body's heartiest congratulations and best wishes to all of the District's administrators, faculty, students, and parents upon its selection for special "Distinction in Performance" recognition by the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution to acknowledge the accomplishments of the Republic R-III School District in Greene County, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative James Viebrock
District No. 134

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 4927, adopted January 6, 2004.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker